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TITLE OF INVENTION: VISUALLY ORGANIZING AND HIGHLIGHTING A LIST OF ITEMS TO SHOW HOW THEY SATISFY MULTIPLE CRITERIA SELECTED BY A USER

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Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/044,457

Examiner

RYAN F. PITARO

Applicant(s)

RUSSELL, JOHN DAVID

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 8/10/2009.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,3-13 and 39-50.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date ____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1,3-13,39-50 are allowed.

Claims 39-50, are considered statutory under 35 USC 101. Though the specification lists coaxial cables, fiber optics, waves, and signals (page 15), the Applicant has listed such media as Transmission media. Since this media is known to be incapable of storage, transmission media is not included in the meaning of the limitation "One or more storage media".

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Daniel Ledesma on 11/16/2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method of depicting a plurality of items and how said plurality of items satisfy multiple criteria, the method comprising the computer-implemented steps of:
a web browser receiving a self-contained web page; and
in response to executing said self-contained web page, said web browser performing the steps of:
generating a display of a list of visual indicators in a particular order,
wherein the particular order indicates how said plurality of items satisfy one or more first criteria;
detecting input indicating the selection of one or more second criteria;
in response to detecting said input, determining, without said web browser having to interact over a network with a web server, how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria; and
while retaining said list of visual indicators in said particular order within said display, displaying a visual indication of how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of the web browser receiving the self-contained web page includes the web browser receiving the self-contained web page over the network from the web server.
4. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of the web browser receiving the self-contained web page includes said web browser causing said self-contained web page to be read from removable computer-readable storage media.
11. (currently amended) A method of generating a web page that causes a web browser to depict a plurality of items and how said plurality of items satisfy multiple criteria, the method comprising the computer-implemented steps of:
generating first web page elements that cause said web browser to display in a particular order a list of visual indicators, wherein the particular order indicates how said plurality of items satisfy one or more first criteria;
generating one or more second web page elements that enable the web browser to receive user input indicating a selection of one or more criteria of a plurality of criteria;
generating third web page elements that enable the web browser to determine, in response to the web browser receiving the user input, how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more criteria; and

generating fourth web page elements that cause the web browser to display, for each particular criterion of the one or more criteria, a visual indication of how said plurality of items satisfy said particular criterion, without changing said particular order.

12. (currently amended) The method of Claim 11, wherein:
the steps further include issuing a query to a database system that stores information about said plurality of items, wherein said query requests data that is used to determine which set of items of said plurality of items satisfy a first criterion of said plurality of criteria;
receiving results of the query from the database system; and
wherein the step of generating third web page elements is based on an examination of the results.
13. (currently amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the steps further include:
performing an examination of contents of said plurality of items to determine which of said plurality of items satisfy the one or more criteria of said plurality of criteria;
wherein the step of generating third web page elements is based on said examination of the contents.

39. (currently amended) One or more storage media storing instructions for depicting a plurality of items and how said plurality of items satisfy multiple criteria, wherein the instructions, when processed by one or more processors, cause:
a web browser receiving a self-contained web page; and
in response to executing said self-contained web page, said web browser performing the steps of:
generating a display of a list of visual indicators in a particular order,
wherein the particular order indicates how the plurality of items satisfy one or more first criteria;
detecting input indicating the selection of one or more second criteria;
in response to detecting said input, determining, without said web browser having to interact over a network with a web server, how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria; and
while retaining said list of visual indicators in said particular order within said display, displaying a visual indication of how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria.
40. (currently amended) The one or more storage media of Claim 39, wherein the step of the web browser receiving the self-contained web page includes the web browser receiving the self-contained web page over the network from the web server.

41. (currently amended) The one or more storage media of Claim 39, wherein the step of the web browser receiving the self-contained web page includes said web browser causing said self-contained web page to be read from removable computer-readable storage media.
48. (currently amended) One or more storage media storing instructions for generating a web page that causes a web browser to depict a plurality of items and how said plurality of items satisfy multiple criteria, wherein the instructions, when executed by one or more processors, cause:
- generating first web page elements that cause said web browser to display in a particular order a list of visual indicators, wherein the particular order indicates how said plurality of items satisfy one or more first criteria;
- generating one or more second web page elements that enable the web browser to receive user input indicating a selection of one or more criteria of a plurality of criteria;
- generating third web page elements that enable the web browser to determine, in response to the web browser receiving the user input, how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more criteria; and
- generating fourth web page elements that cause the web browser to display, for each particular criterion of the one or more criteria, a visual indication of

how said plurality of items satisfy said particular criterion, without changing said particular order.

49. (currently amended) The one or more storage media of Claim 48, wherein the instructions include additional instructions which, when executed by the one or more processors, further cause:
- issuing a query to a database system that stores information about said plurality of items, wherein said query requests data that is used to determine which set of items of said plurality of items satisfy a first criterion of said plurality of criteria; and
- receiving results of the query from the database system;
- wherein the step of generating third web page elements is based on an examination of the results.
50. (currently amended) The one or more storage media of claim 48, wherein the instructions include additional instructions which, when executed by the one or more processors, further cause:
- performing an examination of contents of said plurality of items to determine which of said plurality of items satisfy the one or more criteria of said plurality of criteria;
- wherein the step of generating third web page elements is based on said examination of the contents.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art is silent in teaching: a web browser receiving a self-contained web page; and in response to executing the web page, generating a display of a list of visual indicators in a particular order, wherein the particular order indicates how said plurality of items satisfy one or more first criteria; detecting input indicating the selection of one or more second criteria; in response to detecting said input, determining, without said web browser having to interact over a network with a web server, how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria; and while retaining said list of visual indicators in said particular order within said display, displaying a visual indication of how said plurality of items satisfy the one or more second criteria.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dennis Chow can be reached on 571-272-7767. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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